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According to the Court of Appeals ruling, "a remedies decree in an antitrust case must seek to 'unfetter a market from anticompetitive conduct', to 'terminate the illegal monopoly, deny to the defendant the fruits of its statutory violation, and ensure that there remain no practices likely to result in monopolization in the future'"

The wording is too broad in regard to specific vendor issues. This is an easy exploit to take advantage of. There should be a uniform pricing structure.

The proposal in no way denies the fruits of the violation to Microsoft. The company has in effect stolen billions of dollars and countless technological innovations and placed itself as the governing body of computing. These billions should be distributed back into the hands of former competing companies and the trade secret file formats used by Microsoft should be opened to the public in order to even the playing field and give other companies a fair chance this time.

With the market control Microsoft enjoys, only strict government fines in the billions of dollars at the first sign of misconduct is enough to sway Microsoft from repeating its hostile takeover of the computing world. This is in addition to fines Microsoft, in my opinion, owes for previous misconduct.

Thank you,
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